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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to Examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1 of the Specification, line 2, after the Title of the Invention, please insert --This Application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(a) of Australian Provisional Patent application No. PQ1999, filed August 3, 1999.--.

On page 24 of the Specification, before Claim 1, please cancel the word "CLAIMS" and substitute in its place --WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 11 and 12.

Please amend the remaining claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of modulating bone resorption in an [human or] animal, said method comprising administering to said [human or] animal an effective amount of a leptin